the restructuring of the organisation.

Amount spent in Orissa on Non-Formal Education

6273. SHRI GOPINATH GAJAPATHI: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the amount provided by the Union Government and the amount actually spent in Orissa on Non-formal education in 1989-90 and 1990-91;

(b) whether the programme pertaining to the non-formal education is not being properly implemented in the State; and

(c) if so, the steps taken to monitor the programmes for its effective implementation?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI RANGARAJAN KUMARAMANGALAM): (a) The amount provided by the Union Government to Orissa for Non-formal Education in 1989-90 and 1990-91 was Rs. 452.71 lakhs and Rs.389.59 lakhs respectively. According to information made available the amount spend was Rs. 389.54 lakhs and Rs. 513.39 lakhs respec-.ively.

(b) and (c). Quarterly progress reports are obtained from the State Government and voluntary agencies involved in the NFE Programme. In addition, progress of the programme is watched through review meetings and tours. By and large, the programme is being satisfactorily implemented.

New Drugs to Cure T.B

6274. SHRIMATI VASUNDHARA RAJE: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether some new drugs have been invented to cure T.B.;

(b) whether such drugs can cure T.B. at faster pace; and

(c) if so, the details of the drugs and the steps taken to popularise the drugs?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRIMATI D. K. THARADEVI SIDDHARTHA): (a) The new drug OFLOXACIN is claimed to be effective in the treatment of T.B.

(b) and (c). The drug has a bactericidal action. It may reduce the duration of treatment. However, this needs to be established in appropriate studies in TB Patients. The drug is expensive requiring about Rs. 1200/ - per patient. Its use can be justified only if studies show that its use significantly improves the efficacy of existing drug combinations for treatment of T.B.

Vacant Post of Assistant Commissioner in Kendriya Vidyalayas

6275. SHRI SYED SHAHABUDDIN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of posts of Assistant Commissioners in the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan as on April 1, 1991;

(b) the number of posts which are lying vacant with the period for which they have been so effected;

(c) the present recruitment rules for the post; and

(d) by when these vacant posts are likely to be filled?